

MORSE AND THREE SONS WERE ALL ABSENT WHEN CASES CAME UP IN COURT

Prosecuting Attorney at Once Asked That Bench Warrants Be Issued for the Four Who Are Charged With Use of Mails to Defraud Investors

JUDGE ISSUED WARRANTS FOR ALL THE MEN

Charles W. Morse Was Last Heard From at Augusta, Maine., and It Was Stated Would Be On Hand in United States Court in New York To-day

New York, May 8.—Bench warrants were issued today for Charles W. Morse and his three sons, Erwin A., Benjamin W., and Harry F., because they failed to appear to plead on indictments brought in federal court charging them with use of the mails to defraud investors in stock of the United States Steamship company. Judge Augustus N. Hand issued the warrants on the request of Assistant United States District Attorney John F. Joyce.

When the case was called last week it was stated that Charles W. Morse was in Augusta, Maine, but he was on hand to-day. Stewart G. Giboney, an attorney named in the same indictments, was allowed until May 15 for pleading because his counsel is out of town.

CALLS REED A "MARLOT" AND SEEKS HIS DEFEAT

Again Ex-President Wilson Takes a Hand in the Missouri Senatorial Election.

St. Louis, May 8 (By the Associated Press).—Referring to United States Senator James A. Reed, as a "marplot," former President Wilson, in a letter to former Governor Lon V. Stephens, made public today asked the defeat of Missouri's senior senator to "redeem the reputation" of the Democratic party. It was Mr. Wilson's third letter on the subject of the Democratic nomination for United States senator, sought by Mr. Reed and Breckinridge Long, former third assistant secretary of state in the Wilson administration. The letter was in reply to one from Mr. Stephens in which the former governor referred to a letter the former president recently wrote the St. Louis Globe-Democrat attacking Reed. Mr. Reed replied to this letter, in which he questioned Mr. Wilson's memory.

The letter under date of April 27 to Mr. Stephens follows:

"My dear Governor Stephens: "Your letter of April 22 has gratified me. I am glad to be sustained in my own judgment of Reed by your own clear knowledge, and I shall hope and confidently expect to see him equalled by the Democrats at the primaries. Certainly Missouri cannot afford to be represented by such a marplot and it might check the enthusiasm of Democrats throughout the country if their comrades in Missouri should not redeem the reputation of the party by substituting for Reed a man of the true breed of Democratic principles. I am sure your own great influence will contribute to the desired and expected redemption.

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H. P. DAVIDSON HAD \$2,000,000 INSURANCE

Policies Were Carried in Over Twenty Companies, the Largest Policy Being \$200,000.

New York, May 8.—It has become known through one of New York's leading insurance brokers that Henry P. Davidson carried \$2,000,000 in life insurance.

The policies were spread over some twenty companies. The largest single policy was said to be for \$300,000. The broker estimated that the premiums amounted to about \$80,000 annually.

The funeral will take place tomorrow at the Little Episcopal church at Lattinstown, Locust Valley, Long Island.

MONTPELIER

Joseph Cadman, aged about 20 years, died at the hospital in Montpelier Sunday, following a long illness of a lung trouble. He was at one time in a tuberculosis sanatorium, and then was moved to the hospital in Montpelier. He was a native of Middlesex, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cadman, the latter of whom survives him. He was employed for some years as bell boy at a local hotel. The funeral will take place at the church in Shady Hill at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The senior class of Montpelier seminary presented "Mrs. Biggs in the Poultry Yard" Saturday evening to a large number of spectators in the chapel of the institution. The parts were well presented by the students.

Miss Katherine Gutcheon of Troy, N. Y., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gutcheon, her parents.

Deputy State Engineer Marshall A. G. Preble is in Rutland this week to inspect the Rutland fire department. He was accompanied by Inspector Dupe of the New England Insurance exchange, who will inspect electric wiring.

Cards have been received in the city announcing the marriage of Dewey T. Hanley, formerly deputy state auditor, and Mildred E. Wilson at Daytona, Fla., May 3. The bride is a resident of Essex Junction. Mr. Hanley for the last few years has been engaged in the insurance business.

Some 20 residents of Montpelier have been notified by the letters that stock which they hold in the Boston and New York stock exchange will be taxed in Montpelier this year. This is the first time that stock of that nature has been taxed in Montpelier.

George Cleves, who has seen considerable experience as an instructor in golf playing, will have charge of instruction at the Montpelier Country club course the coming summer.

Section of the Religious Institute, organized under the auspices of the church council of Montpelier, will occur May 19 to 21, inclusive. Rev. W. V. Lytle of Boston, associated with the Congregational church work, will be one of the speakers. Others will be Rev. William L. Lawrence of the Unitarian association and Dr. F. E. Patterson of the Baptist association.

The program is planned on up to date methods of how to teach religion, how to organize and administer the church schools, and similar subjects.

We have a plan for making mothers happy which we would like to explain to you. It is called the Brunswick Mothers' Day club, 132 Main street.

Charles A. Smith was in Roxbury Saturday to attend the 50th anniversary of the married life of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Averill, cousins of Mr. Smith, presented with eleven \$5 gold pieces, and friends present. It was a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Averill, who were presented with eleven \$5 gold pieces, as a token of esteem of those who were present and others who could not attend. An interesting part of the program was that Mrs. H. G. Ellis, at whose home they were married 50 years ago, by Rev. A. C. Stevens, made the chicken pie for the golden wedding anniversary. She is 86 years of age and she also made the chicken pie for the fourteenth of July celebration.

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Rev. Dr. Charles W. Hinton, of the rectory and Rev. Dr. Edw. Peabody of Groton school will officiate.

DANGLE GOLD BEFORE RUSSIA

But Allies' Offer Is One-twenty-fifth What Russia Asks

STRONG APPEAL MADE TO SOVIET

Russian Delegation Claims Effort to Wreck Genoa Conference

Genoa, May 8. (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain and Foreign Minister Schanzer of Italy addressed to-day a strong appeal to the Russian representatives at the conference here, urging them to accept the allied memorandum in its main points and promising Russia an international loan, with the understanding that the lending countries would thus provide funds for the reconstruction of Russia.

The allies would claim the right to make sure, however, that the money loaned was actually invested in the work of reconstruction.

It was asserted that altogether the proposed loan would amount to 300,000,000 gold francs. It has been declared that the Russians were asking for three billion gold rubles, or 25 times as much as the allies offer.

The Russian delegation had previously issued a statement denouncing the efforts of the allied France and Belgium had made to wreck the conference. The statement called attention to the fact that the powers, which were predicting that Russia's refusal to accept the memorandum would break the conference up, had not themselves signed the memorandum.

BUILDING OPERATIONS INCREASED 32 PER CENT

In 1921 Over the Preceding Year According to Federal Department of Labor.

Washington, D. C., May 8.—Building operations in the United States increased 32 per cent in 1921 over the previous year, according to a report of the department of labor issued to-day. Wholesale cost of building materials, the report said, decreased 38 per cent in the same period and the average total cost of one-family dwellings was \$4,214 in 1920, compared with \$5,925 in 1921.

Construction of one-family dwellings increased 71 per cent in 1921, the report said; two-family dwellings 21 per cent and multi-family houses (apartments and tenements) 20 per cent. Permits issued in 1921 provided for 125 per cent more families than those issued in 1920, the report estimated.

The department's statistics were based on reports from 140 cities.

NO MORE WORKERS

At Pawtucket Mills Than Last Week, Say Strikers.

Pawtucket, R. I., May 8.—The sixteenth week of the strike of the textile workers in the Blackstone valley opened to-day with the approaches to the mills affected practically deserted by pickets, with the exception of the mill of the Home Bleach and Dye company, the only concern that has not obtained a restraining order against picketing. About 50 strike sympathizers gathered there, but no trouble followed.

Labor leaders say the number of workers reporting to-day at the mills affected was no larger than last week, although letters requesting them to return were received by some of the strikers last week.

Interest in labor circles centers in the hearing in the superior court on the application of the Jencks Spinning company for an injunction against picketing near its mills or at the homes of its workers.

ABOUT 70,000 WERE MADE DEPENDENT

By Flood of the Mississippi River in States of Mississippi and Louisiana.

New Orleans, La., May 8. (By the Associated Press).—Approximately 70,000 men, women and children are homeless in Mississippi and Louisiana as the result of the Mississippi river flood and of this number 40,000 are, being fed, sheltered and clothed by the Red Cross and other organizations. It was officially announced to-day by various relief bodies. No provisions have been made to aid the 30,000 persons who have not reached the refugee camps, the statement said.

At the new state tree nursery near Essex Junction and to inspect progress on the development of the nursery. The new system will provide good drainage, especially in winter. From this nursery, Mr. Reed will go to Shattuck to inspect work in the tree nursery there.

W. E. Bond of the state forestry department has gone to Burlington to grade stakes for the new water system.

After Three Days Adjournment Will Be Taken.

New York, May 8.—The conference between the United Mine Workers of America and the anthracite coal operators over the removal of the miners' wage scale was resumed to-day. Adjournment will probably be taken Wednesday to allow union leaders to attend the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor convention and the executive board's meeting at Scranton on Thursday.

PELLETIER IS DISBARRED

Evidence, Says Judge Carroll, Is "Clear, Undisputed, Convincing"

PELLETIER HAD PUT IN NO DEFENSE

Charges Conspiracy to Extort Money and Improper Action on Indictments

Boston, May 8.—The disbarment of Joseph C. Pelletier, recently removed as district attorney of Suffolk county, was ordered by decision of Judge Carroll of the supreme court to-day. Pelletier had entered no defense, contending that he was forejudged by reason of his removal. The charges were the same—conspiracy to extort money, and improper action in securing and in quashing indictments.

"The evidence before me offers no explanation or justification," Judge Carroll's opinion said. "It is clear, undisputed, convincing. The decision of the full court in the petition for the respondent's removal from office as district attorney is a part of the evidence and is uncontroverted. I must find that the charges are sustained. No other course is open to me, nor is any other conclusion reasonable on these facts."

The order for Pelletier's disbarment comes within a short time of that for the disbarment of Daniel H. Coakley, an attorney long prominent in criminal practice, who in the trials on which Pelletier and Nathan A. Tufts were removed as district attorneys, was shown to have been involved in obtaining the quashing of charges for large fees. In each case Attorney General Allen introduced records of bank transactions in an attempt to show that the district attorneys shared in these fees.

The Specific Findings.

The court held that Pelletier gave his aid and assistance, and lent the support and influence of the office of district attorney to a conspiracy in the Emerson Motors company case. With full knowledge that the company was publishing false and deceptive statements to sell its securities, the court found "the respondent entered into a corrupt conspiracy with Coakley and others by which for the sum of \$20,000 paid in bills by the New York attorney of the company to Francis M. Carroll (who retained \$5,000 and paid \$15,500 to Coakley) a corporation against which was an abundant and convincing evidence of falsehoods was protected from punishment and allowed to escape prosecution."

Charges were held to be sustained also that Pelletier, as part of a conspiracy with Coakley to aid him in extorting \$10,000 allowed Warren C. Daniels, a dealer in securities, to be admitted to the proceedings against him were pending.

"The scheme failed and no one was paid, but the conspiracy was in fact planned and arranged. The respondent was a party to it, and its purpose was extortion," the court added.

The evidence in support of the charges charged Pelletier conspired with Coakley to force Dorothy Cole to give up an automobile presented to her by one Lawrence, was said to show that "the respondent illegally conspired with Coakley and by threats of criminal proceedings compelled to surrender her right."

Other charges relating to the Emery case, also, the court found that Pelletier was a conspirator and actively participated in the plot. In this case, in which Coakley and William J. Corcoran, then district attorney of Middlesex county, were named as co-conspirators, it was held that the evidence showed that a conspiracy was found to force Mrs. Jennie Chase, an elderly woman, who had done no wrong, to pay the sum of \$50,000 through fear for her daughter (Mrs. Elizabeth Emery) and her son-in-law (Curtis W. Emery).

In two other cases, those involving the charge that Pelletier conspired with Coakley to frighten Albert T. Smith to pay \$35,000 to his wife, Mrs. Agnes Smith, now of St. Louis, and that he failed to prosecute Merrill W. Shute for larceny from Mrs. Emma F. Brackett of Bangor, Me., the court found that the allegations were not sustained.

Disposing of certain blanket charges, Judge Carroll said: "As to the remaining charges of extortion, of attempting to extort money from a failing to prosecute offenders from improper motives of instituting groundless prosecutions and that the respondent has failed to conduct himself with due fidelity to the court and to his clients, the evidence bearing on these charges was introduced without objection or contradiction. I find they are sustained."

FORMER ST. JOHNSBURY MAN.

Judge Edward C. Potter Died Suddenly in Boston Bank.

Boston, May 8.—Judge Edward C. Potter of this city, formerly judge of the district court of St. Johnsbury, Vt., died suddenly to-day in the Home Savings bank on Tremont street. He was 78 years of age. He had gone to the bank, accompanied by Mrs. Charlotte B. Rich, a relative, and was approaching the receiving teller's window when he was taken ill and collapsed.

COAL CONFERENCE RESUMED.

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POST BROS. & CO. FAIL FOR \$1,500,000

Involuntary Petition Filed Against New York Brokerage House.

New York, May 8.—Failure of the brokerage firm of Post Brothers and company was announced from the rostrum of the New York stock exchange to-day.

Later the firm issued the following statement: "We completed on Saturday an examination of our books, and from the examination and after consultation of our attorneys Messrs. Caldwell, Wickensham and Taft, have deemed it necessary for the protection of our customers to make a general assignment without preference for the benefit of our creditors to John S. McClay, attorney associated with the firm."

"The firm is composed of Messrs. Henry M. Post, John G. Gibbons, Charles M. Post and Morgan B. Post was formed Nov. 23, 1913, and has from that time continued as a member of the New York stock exchange."

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed against the company by three creditors, estimating liabilities at \$1,500,000 and assets at \$1,000,000.

The creditors had claims ranging from \$997 to \$40,000.

George A. Haskell & Co. of Boston Fail.

Boston, May 8.—The failure of George A. Haskell and company, members of the Boston stock exchange, was announced from the exchange rostrum to-day.

The firm had been in business less than a year, having taken over the business of Allen, Arnold and company. George A. Haskell, the board member of the firm, was admitted to membership in the exchange June 28, 1921.

The announcement from the exchange merely said that the firm was unable to meet its obligations, which automatically suspended it from membership. Later a committee of creditors issued the following statement:

"George A. Haskell and company are unable to meet their obligations as they mature and have placed their affairs in the hands of the committee representing the creditors, consisting of William H. Garland, 32 State street; Harry N. Guterman of the firm of Guterman and Guterman and Dexter B. Pattison of the firm of Pattison and Thompson."

TRY TO GET BOYS' AID IN GIRLS' DRESS REFORM

President of New England Women Will Use This Means to Attack the Flappers.

New York, May 8.—Mothers are planning a crusade for the moral and sartorial regeneration of jouncing daughters by making an appeal to boys, according to Mrs. Eugene J. Grant, president of the New England women, because of the fact that an appeal has been sent to every colony of the society to use this avenue of approach to the conscience and modesty of the young girl.

"We do not want to reform her," said Mrs. Grant to-day, "merely to urge her to moderate her dress, her dancing and her manners. As I told the members of our club, parents must start a wave of moderation. It would be useless to try reforming girls, they always resist that and I, myself, do not like reforms."

"Girls these days don't seem to have any clothes on from the waist up and skirts are so short there is little below the knees. But we don't object so much to the short skirts as to the almost invisible waists, because we are used to the abbreviated bathing suit."

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IS BEING HOUNDED BECAUSE OF LOVE

Alexander E. Robertson, British War Veteran, Declares He Is Being Railroaded Out of the Country.

Newark, N. J., May 8.—Alexander E. Robertson, British war veteran, was preparing to-day to gather his evidence that private detectives had attempted to drive him from the United States because of his affection for the daughter of a United States senator. This evidence, he said, will be submitted before the British embassy officials tomorrow when he will seek the arrest of the men through federal warrants. He has already caused the arrest of one of the men on a charge of stealing valuables from the British-American War Veterans' association rooms and told how he had returned to Bloomfield and caused the arrest of one of the detectives named Ellis at a hotel here.

At the British-American War Veterans' association rooms in New York it was said that another man by the same name was accused of thefts of clothing and war medals and that Robertson had been completely exonerated.

STEAL BARREL OF LIME.

Two Men In Motor Truck Victimized By Bethel Merchant.

Bethel, May 8.—Two men in a motor truck drove up to the Graham hardware store last Thursday, said they were working on chimneys in town, bought and paid for some venetian red and then drove their truck down to the storehouse near the freight office to take on a barrel of lime, which Mr. Graham helped them to load. He rode back to the store with them and entered, supposing they would come right in and pay him.

In a few minutes he looked for them and they had gone. They were seen in Bethel and South Bethel, but not enough to be detained. They carried with them ladders, such as might be used in work on chimneys. Not many thieves are known to be in the lime stealing business.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Regular meeting of Bright Star Lodge held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

BURLINGTON GIRL, SUICIDE

Miss Helen Howe, College Graduate and Well-known in Social Circles

INHALED GAS AT PARENTS' HOME

She Had Been in Failing Health During Past Two Years

Burlington, May 8.—Miss Helen Howe, 27, well known in the social life of this city, committed suicide at her home here last evening by inhaling gas. Her body was found this morning by her parents. She had been in failing health for the last two years, and had recently returned from a sanatorium.

Miss Howe was a graduate of the University of Vermont in the class of 1917 and was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta society and the Phi Beta Kappa society.

FLOWERS CLUTCHED IN DEAD GIRL'S HAND

Near Body of Miss Elizabeth Dunn Was Body of John C. Kane Jr., at Mamareneck, N. Y.

Mamareneck, N. Y., May 8.—The bodies of John C. Kane Jr., 34, and Miss Elizabeth Dunn, 32, were found in the woods of Alton Wood park near here to-day.

Miss Dunn had been slain by a bullet through the heart. Kane was killed by a bullet which ranged upward through the mouth.

An automatic pistol was found at his side.

Kane, a clerk in the Mamareneck post office, was reported having been posted to Miss Dunn, a school teacher. Her home was in Weedsport.

Police reported there was no evidence of a struggle at the spot where the bodies were found.

A small bouquet of wild flowers, clutched in the dead girl's hand, was still unwilted when the double tragedy was discovered.

TEMPORARY COUNTY AGENT.

Cecil H. Winslow Will Serve for Six Weeks.

Cecil H. Winslow, a graduate of the State Agricultural college last year, will have charge of the county agent work in Washington county for six weeks beginning next Monday, it is expected. Mr. Winslow, who is in the University of Vermont's extension work, will substitute for E. A. Briggs, who recently resigned, until the new agent, Mr. Carlton, arrives. This week Mr. Winslow is in South Royalton on extension work.

ALLEGED BANDITS PUT UNDER BAIL

On Charge of Robbery at H. P. Hood & Co.'s Office in East Boston.

Boston, May 8.—Three alleged bandits who were captured following a raid late Saturday on a farmhouse near Wilmington, was held in \$10,000 bail to-day when arraigned in the East Boston court. No pleas were entered.

The three men, James McLaughlin, Jeremiah Cappello and Ralph Cobb, were charged with breaking and entering the offices of H. P. Hood and company in East Boston with the theft of a safe containing money and Liberty bonds. The broken safe was found near the farmhouse among other loot.

AUTO NEAR A PLUNGE.

Almost Carried Away One Side of Overpass Near Middlesex.

One side of the overpass over the Central Vermont railroad tracks north of Middlesex was almost carried away by an automobile probably yesterday, it has been reported to the secretary of state. It is said that the car must have escaped by a very narrow margin a plunge down onto the track. No report of any such accident from a motorist has yet been received at the office of the secretary of state.

FUMIGATING GAS NOW HELD THE CAUSE

Of Deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman M. Jackson in Brooklyn Heights Hotel—Room Below Them Was Fumigated.

New York, May 8.—Eli Du Puy, manager of Hotel Margart in Brooklyn Heights, and Albert Bradish, a former exterminator, were held in \$5,000 bail on warrants of suspicion of homicide by Magistrate Geismar to-day, as the result of the deaths at the hotel recently of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman M. Jackson, who were alleged to have been killed by fumigating gas.

The action followed exhumation of the body of Mr. Jackson and a second autopsy which was said to have shown death was caused by poisoning from cyanogen gas, alleged to have been used in fumigating rooms beneath those in which the Jacksons lived.

Do Puy and Bradish are alleged to have caused the deaths by negligence in properly sealing the rooms.

FELL THREE STORIES—UNHURT.

Brooklyn Baby Landed in Soft Dirt and Didn't Even Cry.

BARRE PEOPLE HURT IN AUTO RUNAWAY

Envoy and Mrs. Sykes and Miss Doris Moore Were in Smash Against House Near Troy, N. Y.

ILLNESS CAUSE OF RESIGNATION

Rev. F. O. Hokerk Is To Leave Barre Universalist Church

IS A 'RESENT ON' OF ABSENCE

Resignation Accepted and Committee Named to Secure New Pastor

At the close of the morning service at the Universalist church yesterday, the standing committee of the church met and accepted the resignation of Rev. Frank O. Hokerk, which had been presented at the service by Rev. George F. Fortier of Morrisville, state superintendent of the Universalist denomination, who also occupied the pulpit during the service.

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RACED WITH TRAIN. BARELY ESCAPED IT

Central Vermont Official Complains About Driver of Car No. 14853.

Secretary of State Harry A. Black is investigating a report from G. W. Groom, assistant superintendent of the Central Vermont railroad, that a Ford sedan car with the registration number 14853 had crossed a grade crossing between Sheldon Springs and Sheldon Junction on May 5, directly ahead of a south-bound extra freight train and narrowly escaped being struck. The owner of the car carrying this number is Jack Ryca of Enosburg Falls, according to the records of the secretary of state's office. The automobile was still driving on a road parallel to the tracks for some distance, and was within 200 feet of the train for a half mile, so it is not thought possible that the driver failed to see the train. The engineer expected that the car would stop at the crossing, according to the report.

B. F. Atherton of Middlebury reports to the secretary of state that a car with the registration number 596 ran over and killed a valuable dog belonging to him on May 6. Eye-witnesses stated that the driver did not try to avoid hitting the dog, or put on his brakes, and did not stop after running over the animal, according to the report.

State's Attorney Harold E. Whitney of Windham county has reported to the secretary of state that Arthur J. Rolin of Brattleboro was involved in an automobile accident on Sunday, April 30, in Hinsdale, N. H